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SUBJECT: HAWKS FOR JORDAN--NEXT STEPS

REF.: AMMAN 6413

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SISCO (DELIVER 9:00 A.M. SUNDAY
MORNING)

1. FOLLOWING FOR YOUR COMMENTS IS TEXT OF LETTER REFERRED
TO IN SEPTTEL WHICH WE ARE CONSIDERING RECOMMENDING THAT
SECRETARY SEND TO KING HUSSEIN. YOU SHOULD OF COURSE NOT
RPT NOT DISCUSS TEXT WITH JORDANIANS.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

YOUR MAJESTY:

AMBASSADOR PICKERING IS PRESENTING TO YOUR GOVERNMENT TODAY
OUR LETTER OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE COVERING THE SALE OF
HAWK MISSILES TO JORDAN, EARLY SIGNATURE OF WHICH WILL
ENABLE US TO MOVE AHEAD ON THE NECESSARY PROCUREMENT,
PRODUCTION AND RELATED ACTIONS. MY PURPOSE IN WRITING YOU
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PERSONALLY IN THIS MATTER IS TO ASSURE YOUR MAJESTY THAT I

REMAIN MINDFUL OF YOUR CONTINUING CONCERN OVER THE DELIVERY
SCHEDULE OUTLINED IN PRESIDENT FORD'S SEPTEMBER 17 LETTERS

TO THE CONGRESS, AND OF YOUR STRONG DESIRE THAT THE
SCHEDULE BE SYNCHRONIZED AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE WITH THE
TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR YOUR HAWK CREWS.

AS I STATED IN MY SEPTEMBER 18TH MESSAGE TO YOUR MAJESTY,
WE WILL BE PREPARED TO RAISE THIS MATTER AGAIN AND TO DO
WHATEVER WE CAN IN THIS REGARD, IF THE SITUATION HERE
IMPROVES. IN ANY EVENT, THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS, IN
ADDITION TO SIGNATURE OF THE LETTER OF OFFER, IS TO ARRIVE
AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE AT AGREEMENT ON AN OVERALL HAWK
TRAINING PLAN FOR JORDAN. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE SHALL
WISH TO CONSULT WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT SOON FOR THE PURPOSE
OF SCHEDULING A BILATERAL MILITARY CONFERENCE AIMED AT
WORKING OUT A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TRAINING PROGRAM. EARLY
ACCEPTANCE BY YOUR MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT OF OUR LETTER OF
OFFER WOULD PROVIDE THE NECESSARY IMPETUS FOR THIS PROCESS
TO GET UNDER WAY AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

I DO NOT NEED TO TELL YOUR MAJESTY HOW PLEASED I AM THAT
WE HAVE FINALLY REACHED THE POINT WHERE WE CAN BEGIN TO
MOVE FORWARD ON YOUR HAWK PROGRAM AND PUT THE UNFORTUNATE
DIFFICULTIES OF RECENT WEEKS BEHIND US.

WITH WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS,

HENRY A. KISSINGER.

END TEXT. INGERSOLL

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